

Entered the Postoffice at Darlington, Indian Territory, as second class matter.

LOCAL NOTES.

Mr. Williams, of this place, and Mr. Wyatt, of Reno, returned from Fort Smith on the 13th.

Twenty cows have been given to each of the schools, thus supplying a long felt want.

The grounds about the Arapahoe Mission have been greatly improved by grading.

The mail passes three times a week instead of six, as formerly, over the Vanita Las Vegas mail route.

Messrs. Geo. E. Reynolds & Co. have greatly improved their store building by re-siding and painting.

A hydraulic ram has been put in to draw water from Caddo Spring to the Cheyenne school building.

Mr. Praster, the artistic brick-slinger, has been at work on the new commissary for the last month.

Messrs. Geo. E. Reynolds & Co. have just received a fine lot of lemons and apples.

The masons say that the brick now going into the commissary walls are of excellent quality.

A little regiment of Indians are at work making hay for the Government.

J. H. Seger took a run over the mail line between Darlington and Elliott last week.

The Union Spy will be put on the boards three nights during the coming fair at Wichita.

Messrs. Covington and Murphy accompanied the Cheyennes and Arapahoes on their trip to Arkansas City.

Caldwell is building up with substantial brick buildings, which are a credit to her people and show an enterprise that is worthy of success.

Mr. A. C. Williams came in from Pond Creek the latter part of last week. He reports everything flourishing in that region.

Mr. Ford, a farmer from near the Wichita Agency, stopped a couple of days at this place last week, while en route for Caldwell.

Rev. Elliott came up from Shawneetown last week bringing with him two boys, who will be placed in school at Carlisle.

Ja-ah, an Arapahoe boy, has sixty-four head of cattle, which he has gathered together in the last eight years.

Prof. Norman, of Sumner county, Kansas, has been employed as an industrial teacher in the schools at this Agency.

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Miss Katie Eckert, formerly an employe of the school here, will start for her home in Kansas to-morrow. Miss Eckert has just recovered from a protracted spell of malarial fever and only leaves the Agency by the advice of her physician.

The sawmill, in charge of Agency Engineer Darlington, has been running pretty steadily this summer getting out lumber for the new commissary.

The line of the last barn is of better quality than that made before. Mr. Covington superintended the work, which was done principally by Indians.

Miss Watkins, the woman who beat the Caldwell editors so cleverly a few weeks ago, was taken from the guard house at Reno and sent north a short time ago.

A number of cattle men have expressed a determination to advertise their brands, but in the hurry of getting out this number we have not had time to find out what their brands are.

Mr. Fred Williams, who went from the Agency to Pond Creek two months ago, has a fine herd of cattle on that range. He enjoys better health than he had while teaching Arapahoes.

The military authorities at Caldwell have been ordered to remove all cattle from the Cherakee lands on which the owners will not pay the tax. It is not probable, however, that many herds will be removed as cattle men are generally disposed to do the fair thing.

W. N. Hubbard & Co., the enterprising outfitters of Caldwell, in order to reach the cattle men of the Territory have a half column advertisement in this paper. They are enterprising and accommodating gentlemen and know how to advertise to advantage.

Several new floors have been put down in the Arapahoe school building, and a number of other important changes have been made. Altogether the building has been thoroughly overhauled and left in good condition, so far as carpenters could do it, for the opening school.

This number of the TRANSPORTER is sent to many persons who took it before its enlargement, and we ask all who feel an interest in the work we are endeavoring to accomplish to aid us in extending its circulation. We shall try to give our readers the full worth of their money in news of general interest.

T. A. McNeal, junior editor of the Medicine Lodge Cresset, and their foreman, Lute Axline, made us a very pleasant call this morning. They came down to see the country and to recreate. Mr. M. is an editor of experience and ability and fully deserves the success the Cresset is making.

We have received a large lot of cuts for cattle brands, which we will put brand on and publish for six dollars a year. As this paper will circulate quite extensively among stock men, whose interests it will represent, they will find this the best way of communicating with one another. Where brands are generally advertised strays are easily recovered and stealing impossible.

W. C. Freeman, of Reno, has succeeded in getting a patent on his stove pipe improvement. The invention promises to remove a most fruitful cause for profanity and should be universally used for its christianizing influence, if for nothing else. Mr. F. has several offers from manufacturers who wish to avail themselves of the advantages of the invention.

We are pained to hear of the death of Mrs. George Hoover at Caldwell, Kan. Mrs. Hoover went from Wichita to Caldwell only a few weeks ago to join her husband, who is employed as foreman on the Commercial. She leaves four children and a most devoted husband to mourn her death. We have known Mr. Hoover for some time as a thorough gentleman and deeply sympathize with him in his affliction.

Messrs. Tucker & Smith, from the Pan Handle, were here on the 20th inst. They are cattle men of some means and are looking for a location for another and better ranch. They have sold at Caldwell and Dodge 2800 beef cattle this season. They report grass and cattle in good condition in their part of the country, near the head of Pease river.

A. Watson, an extensive cattle dealer whose ranch is near Camp Supply, passed through this place a short time ago. He was driving a herd of 1000 cattle, which he purchased in North Texas. He came this way on account of the better supply of grass and water on this trail.

Roman Nose arrived from Carlisle on the 7th inst. He was taken five years ago, as a prisoner to Florida, and afterward to Hampton and Carlisle. At the last named places, he attended the industrial schools for the instruction of Indian youth. He speaks English quite well and expresses a strong desire to go back and finish his trade, that of a tinner.

E. W. Parker, General Manager of the Southern Division, National mail lines, came in from St. Louis on the 13th. After transacting business here, he started for Las Vegas, New Mexico, where he will take the train for other points in the Southwest. The National Mail Company has its lines all over the United States and the honesty and efficiency of its Management are everywhere acknowledged.

THE BEEF TROUBLE.

The unvarying quiet of this Agency was disturbed on Tuesday the 17 inst., and but for the practical common sense and knowledge of Indian character, which fortunately characterizes the heads of both the Indian and Military at this place, a commencement of a desultory Indian campaign might have been inaugurated. It seems that a band of Cheyennes failed to come after their beef about four weeks previously, and two young men of the

band, not believing that the failure to come after it was, under order of the Indian Bureau, a cause for not having it issued, attempted to force the issue by stopping the Agent on his way from the beef corral to the Agency and demanding it. So evident was their determination that the Agent, unsupported as he was at the time, finally gave them an order for the beef; but determined to convince the parties that no such action could, in the future, be repeated, instructed the Indian police to bring the two principal offenders to the office, as they would listen to nothing at the corral. The police started on their mission on Tuesday morning, but soon reported that the parties, reinforced by several of their friends, had stripped for a fight, asserting their determination to die before being arrested. The police, requesting reinforcements, the commanding officer of Ft. Reno was called upon, who promptly marched two mail companies to their support. By this time several hundred Indians had congregated where the police had the Cheyennes surrounded, and, in the absence of their chiefs, threatened to support the Cheyenne braves in their hostilities. Maj. Randall saw at once that his force was inadequate but determined to assert the authority of the Government, ordered the Indians to bring the two men designated by Agent Miles to his office, assuring them that unless it was done very quickly, he should take them by force. The Indians, though many times as numerous, concluded to obey, and did as requested. But on their arrival at the Agency, they threatened to take vengeance on the Agent, and, for a few moments, the prospect for a free fight was decidedly good. Their several chiefs counselled obedience, and the Agent and Maj. Randall, in a short but vigorous talk, told them that, having complied with instructions, and the young men having pleaded that their demand for back rations was made in the belief that they were demanding what was of right their own, no further action must be taken by them in the future. With this they dispersed, and the usual calm has again settled down upon us. The conduct of the officers having this matter in hand cannot be too highly praised. By their firmness, tempered as it was, with a judicious bravery, a great calamity was averted. The orders of the authorities were, in fact, enforced. So excited were some of the young men at one time that the accidental discharge of a pistol may have precipitated matters and a general fight resulted. Fortunately no such accident occurred and everything ended as well as could have been hoped for. The police showed a determination to stand on the right side, and hereafter we shall feel greater confidence than ever in our Indian auxiliaries.